

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE  
WESTERN DISTRICT OF MISSOURI  
SOUTHERN DIVISION**

VETTER MOORE, )  
Petitioner, )  
v. ) Civil Action  
JUAN CASTILLO,<sup>1</sup> Warden, United ) No. 11-3219-CV-S-DGK-H  
States Medical Center for Federal )  
Prisoners, )  
Respondent. )

**REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION OF UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE**

Petitioner, an inmate confined in the United States Medical Center for Federal Prisoners, petitions this Court for a writ of habeas corpus in which appears to challenge the indictment under which he was charged. The petition has been referred to the undersigned for preliminary review under 28 U.S.C. § 636(b). Because this Court lacks jurisdiction of petitioner's claims, it will be recommended that the petition be dismissed without prejudice.

As grounds for relief in habeas corpus, petitioner appears to challenge his conviction and sentence, asserting that the sentencing court had no jurisdiction because the indictment against him was false. He identifies the sentencing court as the United States District Court for the District of Massachusetts.

The law is clear that a petitioner who seeks to attack the validity of a federal sentence must do so in the sentencing court pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2255 unless it appears that the motion is inadequate or ineffective to test the validity of the detention. E.g., Winston v. Mustain, 562 F.2d

<sup>1</sup>The name of the current warden at the Medical Center, Juan Castillo, has been substituted for that of the former warden, Marty C. Anderson.

565, 566 (8th Cir. 1977). A petitioner has the burden, moreover, of showing that the "inadequate or ineffective" test has been met. Von Ludwitz v. Ralston, 716 F.2d 528, 529 (8th Cir. 1983) (per curiam).

Regardless of petitioner's contentions, the action is improperly filed under the provisions of 28 U.S.C. § 2241. The issues he raises are cognizable, if at all, in the sentencing court. It is clear that this Court lacks jurisdiction of petitioner's claims. Accordingly, it must be recommended that the petition be dismissed without prejudice.

For the foregoing reasons, it is, pursuant to the governing law and in accordance with Local Rule 72.1 of the United States District Court for the Western District of Missouri, RECOMMENDED that petitioner be denied leave to proceed in forma pauperis, and that the petition herein for writ of habeas corpus be dismissed without prejudice.

/s/ James C. England  
JAMES C. ENGLAND  
United States Magistrate  
Judge

Date: 8/15/11